

## **CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**

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WSDOT Construction Activity & Possible Delays/May 7-16, 2004

NEW!! US 2-Division St. and Ruby St./Spokane River to Euclid & SR 290-Trent

Ave./Division to the Spokane River-On Tuesday, May 11 and possibly Wednesday, May 12,
WSDOT Engineering and Maintenance crews will be taking pavement test samples. Motorists
may see intermittent, short duration lane restrictions at various locations along these routes.

HIGH IMPACT!! I-90/Tokio to the Lincoln County Line (MP 231-239)- Paving or pavement sealing operations underway. Motorists should expect eastbound and/or westbound lane restrictions. Note: The legal speed limit is reduced to 55 mph when lane restrictions are in place. These speed limit changes will be noted by signage when in effect. Motorcyclists need to use extreme caution when driving on grooved pavement.

HIGH IMPACT!! I-90/Adams County Line to Spokane County Line (MP 239-255)-

Electrical, earthwork, and drainage items. Motorists should expect eastbound and/or westbound lane restrictions. Note: The legal speed limit will be reduced to **55 mph** when lane restrictions are in place. These speed limit changes will be noted by signage when in effect. In addition, on some days, rock blasting will be underway in some locations between 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. Traffic on I-90 will be stopped for approximately 10-15 minutes when blasting operations are underway.

<u>I-90/ITS (Cameras & Variable Message Sign) (MP 284)</u>-On Wednesday evening, May 12, beginning at about 10:30 p.m. until possibly 5:30 a.m. the next morning, <u>eastbound</u> I-90 will be reduced to one lane in the vicinity of Havana Street. Motorists should expect slow traffic and congestion. The contractor will be connecting utility cabling to the new variable message sign.

HIGH IMPACT!! I-90/Argonne to Sullivan (MP 287-292)— Work will not impact freeway traffic. Travel lanes are 11 feet wide. Inside and outside shoulders will are 2 feet wide with concrete barriers in place. On-ramp merging distance is reduced. The eastbound Evergreen on-ramp is closed. Motorists need to be **extremely alert** within this work zone. Lanes and shoulders are narrow and on-ramp merging distances are reduced.

**SR 127/Central Ferry to Church Hill Rd. (MP 10-18)**-Paving operations are underway. The highway may be reduced to a single-lane with flaggers and pilot cars directing traffic and 10-15 minute delays.

<u>US 395-North Spokane Corridor/Farwell Road Lowering and Bridges</u>- Farwell Road traffic is now detoured slightly to the north to accommodate bridge construction. No main highway traffic impacts. The short section of Shady Slope Rd. between US 2 and Farwell is closed for this project. Motorists should use the US 2/Farwell intersection, as an alternate.

**SR 21/Clark Street in Republic (MP 303)**-City street work underway. This is a City of Republic project. Contact (509) 775-2929.